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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: US VIEWS REGARDING ICAO SPECIAL AIR  
TRANSPORT CONFERENCE, MONTREAL, APRIL 13-16, 1977

REF: STATE 68717

1. SELZ, MEMBER OF FOREIGN MINISTRY STAFF CONCERNED WITH CIVAIR MATTERS (AND WHO WILL BE MEMBER OF FRENCH DEL TO ICAO CONFERENCE), GAVE US HIS MINISTRY'S REACTION TO US DRAFT STATEMENT (REFTEL). HE SAID THAT GOF WAS LESS DESIROUS THAN THE US SEEMED TO BE TO TINKER WITH IATA RATE-MAKING PROCEDURES. ON THE QUESTION OF CAPACITY HE SAID GOF FELT THAT STRUCTURE OF CERTAIN MARKETS AND GIVEN BILATERAL RELATIONSHIPS MADE CAPACITY LIMITATION DESIRABLE IN SOME INSTANCES AND NOT IN OTHERS. FOR EXAMPLE, HE SAID, NORTH ATLANTIC MARKET WAS ONE WHERE GOF WOULD LOOK MORE FAVORABLY ON CAPACITY LIMITATION SINCE, HE CONTENDED, US-FRANCE TRAFFIC WAS TO US ADVANTAGE. HE SAID THAT GOF COULD ALSO NOT SUBSCRIBE WITHOUT SOME QUALIFICATION TO PORTION OF US DRAFT STATEMENT RE-

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FERRING TO CHARTERS.

2. SELZ SAID THAT A PRESENT IT WAS NOT PLANNED THAT FRENCH DEL WOULD MAKE OPENING STATEMENT, THOUGH DEL MIGHT CHANGE ITS MIND IF IT APPEARED THAT MANY OTHER DELS INTENDED TO SPEAK OUT. SELZ FEARED THAT CONFERENCE WOULD GENERATE MUCH CONFRONTATION WITH LDC'S. HE UNDERSTOOD

THAT AFCAC MEMBERS HAD ADOPTED A HARD-LINE POSITION. HOWEVER, WHEN FRENCH MET ABOUT A WEEK AGO WITH MOROCCAN REPS, WHO HAD BEEN AMONG THOSE TAKING INITIATIVE FOR CONVENING CONFERENCE, FRENCH HAD FOUND MOROCCANS FAIRLY RELAXED AND SEEMINGLY NOT TOO WELL PREPARED.

3. WE HAD SOUGHT ALSO OBTAIN DGAC REACTION. ESPEROU HAD HAD AMPLE TIME TO STUDY US DRAFT STATEMENT FOLLOWING ITS DISTRIBUTION AT ECAC DGACA'S MEETING LAST WEEK. HOWEVER, ESPEROU HIMSELF DEPARTED ON EARLY LEAVE IMMEDIATELY AFTER ECAC SESSION PRIOR TO DEPARTING FOR MONTREAL AND THE OFFICIAL ON HIS STAFF WHO WAS TO CONTACT US THIS SUBJECT AS RESULT OUR FOLLOW-UP HAS NOW HIMSELF DEPARTED ON LEAVE AND THEN ON TO MONTREAL WITHOUT CALLING US BACK. SELZ'S VIEWS AS OUTLINED ABOVE MAY REFLECT THE GOF POSITION BUT WE WOULD HAVE BEEN MUCH HAPPIER TO HAVE HEARD FROM THE DGAC, WHOSE REPS WILL PLAY KEY ROLE IN FRENCH DEL AT THE CONFERENCE.  
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